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# Command Operations Report

This report is **required** by commands listed in **SNDL Parts 1 & 2** and all operational **Task Forces, Groups and Units** temporarily established to meet operational requirements.

The report format is divided into six sections: Command Data, Commander's Assessment, Chronology and Narrative, Supporting Reports, Published Documents, and Photographs. Required information is identified in specific sections of the form. Instructions on submitting this form and the required attachments are at the end.

# 1. Command Data

Name of your Command or Organization: **USS OSPREY**

Unit Identification Code (UIC), per the SNDL: **V21836**

Name and Rank of Commander/Commanding Officer/Officer in Charge:

    Last: **KNUTSEN** First: **KEITH** M.I.: **A** Rank: **CDR**

Date Assumed Command (date format YYYY-MM-DD): **2005-02-23**

Mission/Command Employment/Area of Operations: **CORPUS CHRISTI OPERATING AREA**

Permanent Location (Home Port for deployable units): **NAVAL STATION INGLESIDE**

Immediate Superior In Command:

    Operational: **COMCMRON TWO**

    Administrative: **COMCMRON TWO**

Identify your assigned Task Force/Group/Unit name(s) and mission(s). Include OPLAN(s) and or named operations you participated in during Task Force assignment (if applicable): **N/A**

Name(s) of Forces, Commands, Ships, Squadrons or Units assigned or under your operational control (if applicable): **N/A**

Type and number of Aircraft Assigned and Tail Codes, if applicable: **N/A**

Commands, Detachments or Units deployed on board or stationed aboard as tenant activities (as applicable): **N/A**

Number of Personnel Assigned:

   Officers: 9  Enlisted: 45  Civilian: 0

Command Point of Contact (required entry, complete in full):

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# 2. Commander's Assessment

The Commander's Assessment briefly tells the story of the command's role in national defense and should highlight any general and specific lessons-learned. It should contain the commander's commentary, insights and reflections on the unit's activities. Attention should be directed to significant issues impacting training, operations and mission accomplishment during the reporting period. Descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to major command decisions and results of those decisions are particularly desired. Also desired are accounts of specific contributions of individuals in the command to mission accomplishment. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, particular attention should be given to the commander's estimate of the situation, records of discussions and decisions, descriptions of circumstances and sequence of events leading to operational decisions and results of those decisions. For a unit returning from deployment or participating in a single operation this can normally be a single assessment. For higher-echelon commands or units engaging in multiple operations, a separate assessment for each operation in addition to an overall assessment may be appropriate.

2005 was a year of uncertainty for USS OSPREY. The year began with OSPREY under the command of LCDR Derek A. Trinque, Commanding Officer of MHC CREW VALOR. The CREW VALOR had recently finished their training cycle, and was preparing to deploy to USS CARDINAL homeported in Manama, Bahrain. CREW VALOR decrewed OSPREY on February 16, leaving the ship vacant for the 46 days.

On March 29, OSPREY came back to life as MHC CREW AGGRESSIVE embarked, having turned the CARDINAL over to CREW VALOR in Bahrain. AGGRESSIVE'S CO, LCDR Keith Knutsen, assumed command of OSPREY on 23FEB2005. After their post deployment leave, OSPREY's new crew members got hard at work restoring her systems and equipment to warfighting levels of readiness.

In April the ship's combat systems team obtained their radar navigation certification in an inspection by the Afloat Training Group, Ingleside. The ship also entered a PMA which lasted until mid-May 2005. May 29th saw one of the most significants events of the ship's year. Vital parts of the ship's mine-hunting sonar, the SQQ-32, were removed from the ship to repair damage on USS PATRIOT, a forward deployed unit in Seventh Fleet. With replacement parts not expected until Spring 2006, it was apparent that OSPREY's primary mission, her readiness and the crews training ability were to be significantly impaired throughout the remainder of 2005.

After that setback, OSPREY's crew switched focus to those areas of ship's warfighting still available to them. They completed Swimmer Assisted Rescue, Supply Management, and Maintenance and Materials Management Certifications, with outstanding results.

Direction to begin preparations for OSPREY's expected decommisioning put further training and certification efforts on hold toward the end of 2005. CREW AGGRESSIVE is currently putting a full effort into ensuring that USS OSPREY meets the end of her Naval career in a manner fitting and worthy of her years of service to the Fleet and United States of America.

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# 3. Chronology and Narrative

Chronology should include dates of movements; local operations and training; exercises and operations (define acronyms and purpose of exercise or operation); installation of new weapons systems or changes; major physical changes to facilities, ship or aircraft; Class A or B mishaps; port visits; unit awards received; reserve augmentation; and other significant operational or administrative events.

The short narrative should amplify chronology entries (such as objectives and results of exercises/operations; commander's evaluation of exercises/operations, etc). Entries may refer to an enclosure of this report without additional description if the enclosure sufficiently reports the incident/event. For all other entries, give the date or period in YYYY-MM-DD format and provide a brief narrative. All significant events during the reporting period are to be included.

2005-Jan-10 2005-Jan-21 CMAV
2005-Jan-17 2005-Jan-21 RMC Baseline Assessment
2005-Jan-21 2005-Feb-15 Reduced Operating Preparations
2005-Feb-16 2005-Mar-31 Reduced Operating Status
2005-Feb-16 2005-Feb-16 MHC CREW ALPHA DEPARTS
2005-Mar-21 2005-Mar-31 CMAV
2005-Mar-28 2005-Mar-31 CTRA
2005-Mar-29 2005-Mar-29 MHC CREW AGGRESSIVE EMBARKS
2005-Apr-01 2005-Apr-02 CMAV
2005-Apr-06 2005-Apr-07 TYT   CCOA

2005-Apr-11 2005-Apr-15 RADNAV TRAINING
2005-Apr-11 2005-May-16 PMA
2005-Apr-18 2005-Apr-29 DEI MATINSP
2005-May-17 2005-May-17 Ship Qual Trials     CCOA
2005-May-19 2005-May-19 Degaussing Calibration Inport
2005-May-25 2005-May-27 Magnetic and Acoutsic Ranging and Calibration       CCOA
2005-May-31 2005-Jun-10 DEI MATINSP
2005-May-31 2005-Jun-03 SMA/3MBLA
2005-Jun-06 2005-Jun-26 NOTE
2005-Jun-27 2005-Jul-01 C5RA
2005-Jul-05 2005-Jul-15 CMAV
2005-Aug-01 2005-Aug-05 3M CERT
2005-Aug-01 2005-Aug-05 SMI
2005-Aug-22 2005-Aug-22 SAR LTT
2005-Sep-14 2005-Sep-14 SAR LTT
2005-Sep-21 2005-Sep-23 SBT   CCOA
2005-Sep-28 2005-Sep-28 SAR CERT
2005-Oct-03 2005-Oct-05 TYT   CCOA
2005-Oct-17 2005-Oct-28 HMERA 2
2005-Oct-27 2005-Nov-05 ACCCIT VISIT
2005-Oct-31 2005-Nov-18 CMAV
2005-Oct-31 2005-Nov-11 DEI MATINSP
2005-Nov-07 2005-Nov-11 3M-SF

# 4. Supporting Reports

Supporting Reports are those reports required by other instructions that provide significant data about the command during the calendar year. These reports may be submitted "as is," eliminating the need to duplicate information for this report that is already contained in reports prepared in response to other instructions and requirements. Examples include battle efficiency, safety and other award submissions, major staff or command studies, and end of cruise reports or briefs. For units engaged in or directly supporting combat, significant wartime or peacetime operations (named operations, non-combat evacuation operations, disaster relief or other humanitarian operations, etc.) or major exercises, enclosures may include, but are not limited to:

a. Situation Reports
b. Intentions Messages
c. Operational Reports
d. Operations Orders/Deployment Orders
e. Operational Plans
f. Personal For Messages
g. After Action Reports
h. Significant Electronic Message Traffic (outgoing/e-mail/chat)
i. Battle Damage Assessments
j. Casualty Reports
k. End-of-Cruse/Deployment Reports
l. Intelligence Summaries

m. Major Exercise Reports

List below the items submitted, indicating the classification of each. Electronic reports should be in a Microsoft Office format (Word, Excel, Power Point, or Access), HTML, PDF, JPG, GIF, or plain text. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Submit electronic reports via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained at the end of this form. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in hardcopy in the same manner as a CD-ROM.

# 5. Published Documents

List below the published documents being submitted in either electronic or paper format, indicating the classification of each item. Documents to be submitted include cruise books, change of command programs, commissioning/decommissioning brochures, establishment/disestablishment/deactivation brochures, copy of command's web site, news releases, biography of commander, welcome aboard brochures, newspaper articles, command studies, statistical data, etc.

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**CRUISE BOOK CD TO BE SUBMITTED SEPARATELY.**

# 6. Photographs

List below official photographs and any other command-generated media being submitted in either electronic or paper format. Photographs to be submitted include: official photo of commanding officer; recent photo of ship, aircraft, or facility; and photos of historic events associated with the command. Photographs submitted electronically should be in JPG, TIFF or GIF format. It is unnecessary to convert non-electronic documents to electronic format. Photographs in electronic format are to be submitted via e-mail or on CD-ROM as explained below. Enclosures that do not exist in electronic format should be listed below and submitted in the same manner as the CD-ROM. Also include any photographs covering operational strikes, battle damage (especially that sustained by own ship, aircraft, facilities or equipment), or other relevant photos relating to combat or deployment operations.

**PICTURE CD, CREW AND CO PHOTOS TO BE SUBMITTED SEPARATELY.**

**Submit this Command Operations Report as follows:**

Via e-mail, to one of the three e-mail addresses: